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Applicant: WEIHRAUCH, Georg ) Examiner:

PCT Application No.: PCT/EP00/06688 ) unknown

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For: BRISTLE, METHOD FOR ) unknown

PRODUCING A BRISTLE AND )

BRUSHWARE COMPRISING SUCH )

BRISTLES )

Docket No.: 18980.0

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231
U.S.A.

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please enter this amendment prior to calculation of the filing fees. This amendment is based on the translation of the application as amended on August 3, 2001.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, insert as a title prior to the first paragraph --

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION --.